What is claimed is:

1.   A method of displaying type to be displayed on an output device comprised of the steps of:

      decomposing a glyph to be displayed into constituent pieces;

      adding a characteristic to at least one constituent piece of said glyph;

      reconstructing said glyph by combining said at least one constituent piece of said glyph with other constituent pieces of said glyph.

2.   The method of claim 1 wherein said step of adding a characteristic to at least one constituent piece of said glyph includes the steps of:

      adding an addressable color to said at least one constituent piece of said glyph.

3.   The method of claim 1 wherein the step of adding a characteristic to at least one constituent piece of said glyph includes the steps of:

      adding a texture to said at least one constituent piece of said glyph.

4.   The method of claim 1 wherein the step of adding a characteristic to at least one constituent piece of said glyph includes the steps of:

      adding a pattern to said at least one constituent piece of said glyph.

5.   The method of claim 1 further comprised of the step of:

      smoothing intersections of said constituent pieces of said glyph after reconstructing said glyph by combining said at least one constituent piece of said glyph with other constituent pieces of said glyph.

6.   A method of electronically distributing copyrighted printed material so as to inhibit unauthorized copying comprised of the steps of:

      decomposing at least a portion of the text of said copyrighted printed material into glyphs;

5   adding a color characteristic to at least some of the constituent pieces

6   of the glyphs of said portion of the text of said copyrighted printed material;

7   reconstructing said glyphs of said portion of the text of said

8   copyrighted material by combining said at least some of the constituent pieces

9   of the glyphs of said portion of the text of said copyrighted printed material.